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Applicant : Takashi Kumabe et al.

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AMENDMENT "C"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20090831)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated September 22, 2009. The three month period for responding to the Office action expires on December 22, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.